## IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS DALLAS DIVISION

MARK MILTON MOORE,	§
#00343068,	§
PETITIONER,	§
	§
V.	<b>§ CIVIL CASE No. 3:22-CV-743-C-BK</b>
	§
THE STATE OF TEXAS,	§
RESPONDENT.	§

## FINDINGS, CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATION OF THE UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE

Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 636(b) and *Special Order* 3, this case was referred to the United States magistrate judge for management, including the issuance of findings and a recommended disposition where appropriate. For the reasons that follow, this action should be **DISMISSED WITHOUT PREJUDICE** for failure to comply with a Court order.

On April 1, 2022, Petitioner filed a document in this Court titled *Application for Reconsideration and Rehearing Regarding the Denial of Parole and the Parole Process.* Doc. 3. The pleading appears to attack the denial of parole in state case No. C-74-3180-PH, and is addressed to the Texas Board of Pardons and Paroles rather than this court. Consequently, on April 4, 2022, the Court issued a deficiency order advising Petitioner that, insofar as he sought to file a federal habeas corpus petition under 28 U.S.C. § 2254, he must file a petition for writ of habeas corpus on the appropriate form with a motion for leave to proceed *in forma pauperis* or the \$5.00 filing fee. Doc. 4. *See* N.D. Tex. L.R. 5.4 and Misc. Ord. 13 (requiring inmates to file petitions for writ of habeas corpus on the court-approved form); N.D. Tex. Misc. Ord. 14 (requiring inmates to file motions to proceed *in forma pauperis* 

form). The deadline for Petitioner's response was May 3, 2022. As of the date of this recommendation, however, Petitioner has not responded to the Court's order, nor has he sought an extension of time to do so.

Rule 41(b) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure allows a court to dismiss an action *sua sponte* for failure to prosecute or for failure to comply with the federal rules or any court order. *Larson v. Scott*, 157 F.3d 1030, 1031 (5th Cir. 1998). "This authority flows from the court's inherent power to control its docket and prevent undue delays in the disposition of pending cases." *Boudwin v. Graystone Ins. Co., Ltd.*, 756 F.2d 399, 401 (5th Cir. 1985) (citing *Link v. Wabash R.R. Co.*, 370 U.S. 626 (1962)).

Petitioner has been given ample opportunity to respond to the Court's deficiency order. He has impliedly refused or declined to do so. Therefore, this action should be **DISMISSED WITHOUT PREJUDICE** for failure to comply with a Court order and for lack of prosecution.

See FED. R. CIV. P. 41(b) (an involuntary dismissal "operates as an adjudication on the merits," unless otherwise specified).

**SO RECOMMENDED** on May 31, 2022.

RENEE HARRIS TOLIVER

UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The one-year statute of limitations for filing habeas corpus petitions in federal court, *see* 28 U.S.C. § 2244(d), is applicable to the instant petition and any subsequent petition filed in this Court.

## INSTRUCTIONS FOR SERVICE AND NOTICE OF RIGHT TO APPEAL/OBJECT

A copy of this report and recommendation will be served on all parties in the manner provided by law. Any party who objects to any part of this report and recommendation must file specific written objections within 14 days after being served with a copy. See 28 U.S.C. § 636(b)(1); FED. R. CIV. P. 72(b). An objection must identify the finding or recommendation to which objection is made, the basis for the objection, and the place in the magistrate judge's report and recommendation the disputed determination is found. An objection that merely incorporates by reference or refers to the briefing before the magistrate judge is not specific. Failure to file specific written objections will bar the aggrieved party from appealing the factual findings and legal conclusions of the magistrate judge that are accepted or adopted by the district court, except upon grounds of plain error. See Douglass v. United Services Automobile Ass'n, 79 F.3d 1415, 1417 (5th Cir. 1996), modified by statute on other grounds, 28 U.S.C. § 636(b)(1) (extending the time to file objections to 14 days).